ODORANT RECEPTORS AND USES THEREOF

Abstract of the Disclosure

The invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule 5 encoding an odorant receptor. The invention also provides expression vectors containing such nucleic acid, purified odorant receptor proteins encoded by the nucleic acid, and transfected cells expressing the receptor proteins. The invention further provides methods of 10 identifying odorant ligands and odorant receptors, of of developing fragrances, identifying appetite suppressant compounds, of controlling appetite, controlling pest populations, of promoting and inhibiting fertility, and of detecting odors. 15